

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 85  
By Cochran

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Ms. Diane Morris of  
Elizabethton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Diane Morris, who, for several months, fought a courageous battle against cancer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morris was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, an alumna of Elizabethton High School, Diane Morris was the daughter of Nannie Morris and the late Elbert "Mack" Morris; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morris served with acumen and alacrity as City Councilwoman, in which position she earned the respect of her colleagues and constituents alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, the youngest member of the City Council, Diane Morris was first elected in 1998 and, due to her remarkable devotion and enthusiasm, she was reelected in 2002; and

WHEREAS, during her illustrious tenure on the Council, Ms. Morris served as a council representative on the Animal Control Board, the Elizabethton Electric System Board of Directors and the Economic Development Commission; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work as Elizabethton City Councilwoman, Diane Morris found time to lend her considerable talents to the American Cancer Society, volunteering her time with the "Relay for Life"; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Morris was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Diane Morris leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being, who, according to her fellow Council Members, "had a servant's heart"; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor the memory of Ms. Diane Morris, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.